

Mrs Jean Sanders

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CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Jean

Re: CKU and Barrack

Greetings and Peace.

I am in receipt of your memo and attached letter of 1 August, as well as the documents attached to your memo of 12 August, which I want to confirm was opened by me personally.

I note the dismay and concern expressed by CKR in terms of the delay taken by the police in addressing this issue. I have also been extremely concerned by the apparent lack of action in pursuing this matter. I would be happy to speak with the appropriate government ministerial officials. I am looking forward to meeting with CKR to discuss with her how she and CKU would like to proceed in this regard.

I note that CKR's son is refusing counsel and it would seem to me that he must arrive at the need for this in his own time. I note the other issues that you have raised in your letter and have had an opportunity of observing the file in respect of Ian Barrack and his meetings with the examining chaplains. Thank you for attending to the personal file on Ian Barrack. I do not believe that there is anything within the file to suggest that the examining chaplains should have been aware at the very beginning of the process that this person constituted a serious risk in terms of child abuse.

The St John's Ministry College Council has taken cognizance of the risks attached to community living and a program including police checks and awareness relating to child minding issues have been introduced.

Could you please confirm that the documents from the examining chaplains were also located and together with the personal file placed in the relevant envelope that you have within the context of the privileged documents?

I would appreciate some time to discuss this matter with you once you have had an opportunity of going through Ian Barrack's personal file.

With every blessing, good wishes and prayers.

Yours sincerely

**The Right Reverend Roger Herft**  
Bishop of Newcastle